

**Committee on Community Safety**  
**October 16, 2008 Summary**  
**Audiotape of the meeting is available at Town Clerk's Office**  
**Minutes are available at Town Clerk's Office**

**1. Call to order:** 7:05 pm

**Present:** Mitch Page, Dave Tompkins, Chris Ganzer, Sheryl Werner, Michael Pizzuto

**Absent:** Tony Casasanta, Scott Delbuono

**Also attending:** Ken Freidenberg, Director of Human Services, Dave Nagel, Town Council Liaison

- 2. Public Participation** – Rose Lyons welcomed the Committee and commented on her desire to keep the previous Joint Committee active. She encouraged the Committee to be as responsive to the residents as the previous Joint Committee.

**3. New Business**

**a. Election of Chairperson** – The Committee decided to defer the election of a Chairperson until all members were appointed and present.

**b. Review of Charge of Committee** – Some background information was provided by members of the previous Joint Committee, Mitch Page, Dave Tompkins, Dave Nagel and Director of Human Services, Ken Freidenberg. It was commented that the town has many assets and residents want to maintain what makes Newington unique. The Committee decided they want to be proactive rather than reactive and meet monthly. They would also like a Police Department Liaison to attend meetings. Ken Freidenberg will make that request of the Town Manager. Background information including the Joint Committee Short-Term Recommendations and 2007 Health District Report will be sent to members. It was also commented that accomplishments and improvements have been made since those reports. The Committee discussed various ways to get information about the Committee to the public including meeting at various locations to encourage residents to discuss their safety concerns.

- 4. Public Participation** – Sandy Lallier welcomed the Committee and expressed a desire for the Committee to continue be responsive to the residents and neighborhoods.

**5. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm



Respectfully Submitted: Ken Freidenberg, Director of Human Services

**Next Meeting: Thursday November 13 at 7pm Ambler Conference Room 3 (near Building and Engineering Departments)**